#### Amendments to the Specification

Please add the following paragraph on page 1 after the Title, but before the first paragraph:

#### CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is based upon and claims the benefit of priority from the prior Japanese Patent Application No. 2004-105739 and No. 2004-285050, the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

# Please delete the following paragraph on page 2, lines 12-16 as follows: RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0008] This application is based upon and claims the benefit of priority from the prior Japanese Patent Application No. 105739/2004 and No. 28505012004, the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

# Please rewrite the section heading on page 2, line 17 as follows: DISCLOSURESUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

### Please rewrite paragraph [0008] as follows:

[0008] Thus, according to the present invention, there is provided an antireflective laminate comprising

a light-transparent base material and a low-refractive index layer provided on the light-transparent base material, wherein

saidthe low-refractive index layer is provided directly on a surface of the light-transparent base material or is provided on the outermost surface of one or two or more optional layers provided on the surface of the light-transparent base material, and

saidthe low-refractive index layer comprises hydrophobitized fine particles having an average particle diameter of not less than 5 nm and not more than 300 nm, and a binder.

Please rewrite the section heading on page 3, line 17 as follows:

BEST MODE FOR CARRYING OUTDETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

### Please rewrite paragraph [0014] as follows:

[0014] Hydrophobitization of Fine Particles

In the present invention, hydrophobitized fine particles are utilized. The hydrophobitized fine particles are not fully wetted with water. Fine particles to be hydrophobitized per se may be hydrophobilic or nonhydrophobic, or may have both hydrophobilic and nonhydrophobic properties. The hydrophilization hydrophobitization may be carried out on the whole surface of the fine particles or may be further carried out to an internal structure of the fine particles. The fine particles may be hydrophobitized by the following method.

### Please rewrite paragraph [0118] as follows:

## [0118]Evaluation Test

Bemcot was immersed in a weakly alkaline cleaner <u>having an alkaline liquid</u> composition with a pH value of 9 or higher, [e.g., Cleaner IC-100S, (pH 12) manufactured by LION OFFICE PRODUCTS CORP.] and was then reciprocated by 30 times on each antireflective laminate prepared in Example 1 to Comparative Example 2 under a load of 1 kg. In this case, the following properties were measured and evaluated before and after the reciprocation and are shown in Table 1 (before the test) and Table 2 (after the test).